6 December 1955

MEMORANDUM FOR: Colonel White

SUBJECT

Recording and Follow-up of Accounts Due as a Result of Liquidation of Proprietary Projects

- 1. You had asked that the attached papers be forwarded for your reading. Tab A is the procedure instituted by the Comptroller to provide appropriate follow-up on amounts due the Agency resulting from liquidation of proprietary projects. Tab B is a review by PAPS which indicates that a promissory note taken in accordance with the terms of an Administrative Plan for a project was not properly signed and was not redeemed when due.
- 2. The receipt of Tab B coincident with Tab A raised the question "Should the Comptrolder also include in his procedures provisions for follow-up on receivables resulting from transactions and operations other than liquidation?" I think after you have reviewed the material, it might be in order to ask the Comptroller for his views. I think, however, that action by DD/S elements alone will not be sufficient to prevent the type of situation cutlined in Tab B from developing, inasmuch as operations officers and case officers within DD/P have the operational contacts and are the only members of the Agency who can carry out the provisions of such plans.
- 3. Might this be an appropriate time to consider whether some sort of an audit within DD/P by DD/P personnel could be arranged, so that noncompliance with provisions of Administrative Plans by operational personnel would be brought to the attention of proper officials in a matter of weeks or months rather than in a matter of years?

